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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An assembly for effecting the condition of a mitral valve

annulus of a heart comprising:

a guide wire configured to be advanced to the coronary sinus of the heart;

a resilient mitral valve annulus device configured to be deformed and received on the

guide wire and advanced into the coronary sinus of the heart on the guide wire and that reshapes

the mitral valve annulus when in the coronary sinus of the heart; and

a forming element coupled to the mitral valve annulus device, the forming element

extending proximally to configured to have a proximal end portion positioned at a location

outside the human body for adjusting the curvature of the mitral valve annulus device;

wherein the mitral valve annulus device is adjustable from a first shape toward a second

shape having a curvature adapted to reshape the mitral valve annulus when in the coronary sinus

of the heart, and wherein changing the mitral valve annulus device from the first shape to the

second shape affects the radius of curvature of the coronary sinus such that the mitral valve

annulus device presses a portion of the coronary sinus against the mitral valve annulus to

reshape the mitral valve annulus.

2-7 (Cancelled)

8. (Original) The assembly of claim 1 wherein the guide wire is formed of a

material visible under X ray.

9-10 (Cancelled)

11. (Previously Presented) The assembly of claim 1 further including an elongated

introducer configured to be received on the guide wire.

12. (Cancelled)

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13. (Original) The assembly of claim 11 wherein the assembly further includes a releasable locking mechanism configured to releasably lock the device to the introducer.

14. (Previously Presented) The assembly of claim 11 further including a guide tube having an inner lumen dimensioned for receiving the device and introducer when the device and introducer are received on the guide wire.

15-25. (Cancelled)

26. (Previously Presented) An assembly for effecting the condition of a mitral valve annulus of a heart comprising:

a guide wire configured to be advanced to the coronary sinus of the heart;

a resilient mitral valve annulus device configured to be received on the guide wire and advanced into the coronary sinus, the mitral valve annulus device being transferable to a different radius of curvature for selectively altering a curvature of the coronary sinus; and

at least one forming element coupled to the mitral valve annulus device for manipulating the radius of curvature of the mitral valve annulus device from a location outside the venous system.

27. (Previously Presented) The assembly of claim 26, wherein the forming element is configured to reduce a radius of curvature of the mitral valve annulus device.

28. (Canceled)

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